

The National Fire Academy

Through its courses and programs, the U.S. Fire Administration's (USFA's) National Fire Academy (NFA) works to enhance the ability of fire and emergency services and allied professionals to deal more effectively with fire and related emergencies. The NFA's delivery systems are diverse. Courses are delivered at the resident facility, known as the National Emergency Training Center (NETC), in Emmitsburg, Maryland, and throughout the nation in cooperation with state and local fire training organizations and local colleges and universities.

Resident Courses

This brochure includes the courses scheduled for on-campus delivery from October 2014 through September 2015 at the NETC in Emmitsburg, Maryland. The NFA conducts specialized training courses and advanced management programs of national impact. NFA offers these six- and 10-day courses in a concentrated, residential setting that is most conducive to intensive learning. Residential programs target middle- and top-level fire officers, fire service instructors, technical professionals, and representatives from allied professions.

Eligibility

Any person with substantial involvement in fire prevention and control, emergency medical services, fire-related emergency management activities, or allied professions is eligible to apply for NFA courses.

Applicants must meet the specific student selection criteria and applicable prerequisite(s) for the course for which they are applying. For complete course descriptions, student selection criteria, and prerequisite information, please visit the NFA website at www.usfa.fema.gov/nfa.

Selection also is based on the impact applicants will have on the quality of fire protection in their local community, the potential for use of the skills acquired, and equitable and representative distribution from the total fire service.

Application Procedures

The fiscal year (FY) 2015 course schedule is included in this brochure. The General Admission Application Form, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Form 119-25-1, is available for download from the NFA website at www.usfa.fema.gov/nfa.

Important: Student Identification Number Required

Students applying for FY2015 training courses (those starting after Sept. 30, 2014) are required to register for a Student Identification (SID) number. This number will be used in place of your Social Security Number on the General Admission Application Form. Visit our website at www.usfa.fema.gov/nfa/about/attend/ftin.shtml for more information on how to obtain your SID.

Completed applications (FEMA Form 119-25-1) must be sent to the following address during the appropriate application period:

NETC Office of Admissions
16825 South Seton Ave.
Emmitsburg, MD 21727

The NFA operates on a two-semester year with a separate application period for each semester:

Open Application Period	For Courses Beginning
April 15 to June 15, 2014	Oct. 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015
Oct. 15 to Dec. 15, 2014	April 1 to Sept. 30, 2015

Applications will not be considered if they are postmarked before or after the stipulated open application periods. You may apply for more than one course, but you should submit a separate application for each course. You must reapply for second semester courses if you are not accepted for the first semester. Applications will not be carried over. You may wish to view the document “Eight Tips for Completing a Successful NFA Application” available at www.usfa.fema.gov/nfa/about/attend/apply.shtm.

Costs and Stipends

There are no tuition fees for NFA courses. All instruction and course materials are provided at no cost. Transportation costs and lodging for students who represent career or volunteer fire departments, rescue squads, or state/local governments attending on-campus courses currently are provided as part of funding under the Student Stipend Reimbursement Program. Students are responsible for the cost of cafeteria meals and for personal, incidental expenses.

More information on costs and stipends is available on the NFA website at www.usfa.fema.gov/nfa/about/attend/costs.shtm.

Bring Your Own Device

The NFA now provides the option for students to download their course materials onto their own laptop or tablet and to bring the preloaded device to class with them. If this option is available for your course, your pre-course information will include the specific course link and directions.

National Fire Academy Location

The NFA is located on the NETC campus in Emmitsburg, Maryland. The 107-acre campus is shared by the USFA, the Emergency Management Institute, and the NFA. The campus is located a few miles south of the Pennsylvania border, 75 miles north of Washington, D.C., and 60 miles northwest of Baltimore, Maryland.

National Fire Academy Resident Schedule Fiscal Year 2015

Following is the FY2015 NFA resident course schedule. You are encouraged to refer to the NFA website at www.usfa.fema.gov/nfa for the specific course descriptions, student selection criteria, and prerequisite information for the course(s) for which you are interested in applying.



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Fire/Arson and Explosion Investigation Curriculum		Oct 2014	Nov 2014	Dec 2014	Jan 2015	Feb 2015	Mar 2015	Apr 2015	May 2015	Jun 2015	Jul 2015	Aug 2015	Sep 2015
R0204	Practical Applications of Fire Dynamics and Modeling				1/11-16							8/2-7	
R0206	Fire/Arson Origin-and-Cause Investigations	10/13-24	11/10-21	12/8-19	1/26-2/6	2/16-27	3/2-13	4/13-24	5/11-22		7/6-17 7/20-31	8/24-9/4	9/21-10/2
R0208	Interviewing-Interrogation Techniques and Courtroom Testimony	10/13-24		12/8-19	1/26-2/6	2/16-27					7/6-17		9/21-10/2
R0214	Forensic Evidence Collection		11/30-12/5				3/15-20			6/21-26		8/9-14	
R0255	Electrical Aspects of Fire Investigations		11/2-7				3/22-27		5/3-8			8/16-21	
R0811	Fire Cause Determination for Company Officers (VIP)					2/8-13							9/13-18
Emergency Medical Services Curriculum		Oct 2014	Nov 2014	Dec 2014	Jan 2015	Feb 2015	Mar 2015	Apr 2015	May 2015	Jun 2015	Jul 2015	Aug 2015	Sep 2015
R0139	Hot Topics Research in Emergency Medical Services						3/22-27					8/16-21	
R0147	Emergency Medical Services: Incident Operations	10/26-31						4/26-5/1		6/21-26			
R0150	Management of Emergency Medical Services			12/8-19				4/13-24					
R0151	Advanced Leadership Issues in Emergency Medical Services					2/16-27							9/21-10/2
R0152	Emergency Medical Services: Special Operations						3/2-13				7/6-17		
R0158	Emergency Medical Services: Quality Management						3/15-20					8/9-14	
R0847	Emergency Medical Services: Incident Operations (VIP)									6/14-19			
Executive Development Curriculum		Oct 2014	Nov 2014	Dec 2014	Jan 2015	Feb 2015	Mar 2015	Apr 2015	May 2015	Jun 2015	Jul 2015	Aug 2015	Sep 2015
R0123	Executive Development		11/10-21		1/26-2/6	2/16-27	3/2-13				7/6-17 7/20-31	8/24-9/4	9/21-10/2
R0125	Executive Leadership	10/13-24						4/13-24	5/11-22		7/6-17 7/20-31	8/24-9/4	
R0763	New Fire Chief				1/4-9		3/29-4/3		5/24-29				
R0810	Leadership and Administration (VIP)									6/14-19			9/13-18

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Fire Prevention: Management Curriculum		Oct 2014	Nov 2014	Dec 2014	Jan 2015	Feb 2015	Mar 2015	Apr 2015	May 2015	Jun 2015	Jul 2015	Aug 2015	Sep 2015
R0200	Leadership Strategies for Community Risk Reduction		11/2-7				3/15-20					8/16-21	
R0274	Executive Analysis of Community Risk Reduction	10/13-24	11/10-21		1/26-2/6		3/2-13	4/13-24	5/11-22		7/20-31	8/24-9/4	9/21-10/2
R0629	Youth Firesetting Prevention and Intervention		11/2-7				3/22-27					8/16-21	
R0670	Developing and Implementing Public Policy				1/11-16				5/24-29			8/9-14	
R0671	Managing Effective Fire Prevention Programs	10/26-31					3/22-27			6/21-26			
R0833	Leadership Strategies for Community Risk Reduction (VIP)					2/8-13							
Fire Prevention: Public Education Curriculum		Oct 2014	Nov 2014	Dec 2014	Jan 2015	Feb 2015	Mar 2015	Apr 2015	May 2015	Jun 2015	Jul 2015	Aug 2015	Sep 2015
R0116	Presenting Effective Public Education Programs				1/18-23								
R0186	Conducting Local Risk Reduction by Company Officers				1/11-16				5/24-29			8/9-14	
R0348	Changing American Family at Risk							4/26-5/1					
R0353	Community Education Leadership — One Week									6/21-26			
R0378	Demonstrating Your Fire Prevention Program's Worth											8/2-7	
R0394	Cultural Competence in Risk Reduction						3/15-20					8/16-21	
R0816	Community Education Leadership (VIP)									6/14-19			
R0826	Presenting Effective Public Education Programs (VIP)									6/14-19			

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Fire Prevention: Technical Curriculum		Oct 2014	Nov 2014	Dec 2014	Jan 2015	Feb 2015	Mar 2015	Apr 2015	May 2015	Jun 2015	Jul 2015	Aug 2015	Sep 2015
R0108	Evaluating Performance-Based Designs				1/4-9				5/24-29			8/16-21	
R0135	Fire Protection for the Built Environment		11/30-12/5							6/21-26			
R0137	Water-Based Fire Protection System Plans Review		11/2-7		1/18-23		3/29-4/3	4/26-5/1				8/9-14	
R0220	Fire Inspection Principles	10/13-24		12/8-19		2/16-27	3/2-13		5/11-22				9/21-10/2
R0227	Fire Protection Systems for Emergency Operations		11/2-7		1/18-23				5/3-8			8/9-14	
R0614	Wildland Urban Interface: Fire-Adapted Communities		11/30-12/5		1/18-23		3/22-27		5/3-8			8/2-7	
R0827	Fire Protection Systems for Emergency Operations (VIP)					2/8-13							9/13-18
Hazardous Materials Curriculum		Oct 2014	Nov 2014	Dec 2014	Jan 2015	Feb 2015	Mar 2015	Apr 2015	May 2015	Jun 2015	Jul 2015	Aug 2015	Sep 2015
R0229	Hazardous Materials Operating Site Practices			12/8-19				4/13-24				8/24-9/4	
R0233	Chemistry for Emergency Response	10/13-24			1/26-2/6						7/6-17		
R0243	Hazardous Materials Incident Management	10/26-31							5/24-29			8/16-21	
R0247	Advanced Life Support Response to Hazardous Materials Incidents		11/10-21			2/16-27			5/11-22				
R0254	Special Operations Program Management		11/30-12/5				3/22-27			6/21-26			
R0615	Hazardous Materials Code Enforcement		11/2-7		1/4-9			4/26-5/1				8/2-7	
R0814	Hazardous Materials Incident Management (VIP)					2/8-13							

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Incident Management Curriculum		Oct 2014	Nov 2014	Dec 2014	Jan 2015	Feb 2015	Mar 2015	Apr 2015	May 2015	Jun 2015	Jul 2015	Aug 2015	Sep 2015
R0297	Command and Control Decision Making at Multiple Alarm Incidents	10/26-31	11/2-7 11/30-12/5		1/4-9 1/11-16 1/18-23		3/15-20 3/22-27 3/29-4/3	4/26-5/1	5/3-8	6/21-26		8/2-7 8/9-14	
R0306	Executive Analysis of Fire Service Operations in Emergency Management	10/13-24		12/8-19	1/26-2/6		3/2-13	4/13-24			7/6-17	8/24-9/4	9/21-10/2
R0308	Command and Control of Fire Department Operations at Natural and Man-Made Disasters		11/10-21			2/16-27			5/11-22		7/20-31		
R0312	Command and Control of Incident Operations	10/26-31	11/30-12/5		1/4-9 (2 sessions) 1/18-23		3/15-20 3/22-27	4/26-5/1	5/3-8	6/21-26		8/2-7 (2 sessions)	
R0314	Command and Control of Fire Department Operations at Target Hazards		11/2-7		1/11-16		3/29-4/3					8/9-14	
R0825	Command and Control of Fire Department Operations at Target Hazards (VIP)					2/8-13				6/14-19			9/13-18
R0831	Command and Control of Incident Operations (VIP)					2/8-13				6/14-19 (2 sessions)			9/13-18
Management Science Curriculum		Oct 2014	Nov 2014	Dec 2014	Jan 2015	Feb 2015	Mar 2015	Apr 2015	May 2015	Jun 2015	Jul 2015	Aug 2015	Sep 2015
R0107	Communications for Emergency Services Success	10/13-24			1/26-2/6			4/13-24			7/6-17		
R0331	Strategic Organizational Issues in Fire and EMS						3/2-13					8/24-9/4	
R0332	Effective Leadership Skills for Fire and EMS Organizations		11/10-21	12/8-19		2/16-27			5/11-22		7/20-31		9/21-10/2
R0335	Administration of Public Assistance for Community Recovery		11/30-12/5				3/29-4/3		5/3-8			8/16-21	
R0824	Management Strategies for Success (VIP)									6/14-19			9/13-18

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Planning and Information Management Curriculum	Oct 2014	Nov 2014	Dec 2014	Jan 2015	Feb 2015	Mar 2015	Apr 2015	May 2015	Jun 2015	Jul 2015	Aug 2015	Sep 2015
R0333 Fire Service Financial Management				1/26-2/6			4/13-24				8/24-9/4	
R0491 National Fire Incident Reporting System: Program Management	10/26-31						4/26-5/1					
R0492 Emergency Resource Deployment Planning: Standards of Cover		11/2-7						5/3-8			8/2-7	
R0506 Executive Planning		11/10-21						5/11-22		7/20-31		
R0513 Technology for the Emergency Services				1/11-16		3/15-20					8/16-21	
Responder Health and Safety Curriculum	Oct 2014	Nov 2014	Dec 2014	Jan 2015	Feb 2015	Mar 2015	Apr 2015	May 2015	Jun 2015	Jul 2015	Aug 2015	Sep 2015
R0154 Safety Program Operations				1/11-16				5/3-8			8/9-14	
R0822 Safety Program Operations (VIP)					2/8-13							9/13-18
Training Programs Curriculum	Oct 2014	Nov 2014	Dec 2014	Jan 2015	Feb 2015	Mar 2015	Apr 2015	May 2015	Jun 2015	Jul 2015	Aug 2015	Sep 2015
R0129 Fire Service Course Design — One Week	10/26-31										8/2-7	
R0342 Training Program Management		11/10-21				3/2-13				7/20-31		
R0354 21st Century Training for Fire and EMS Training Officers	10/26-31			1/18-23				5/24-29	6/21-26			
R0815 Challenges for Local Training Officers (VIP)					2/8-13							9/13-18

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